



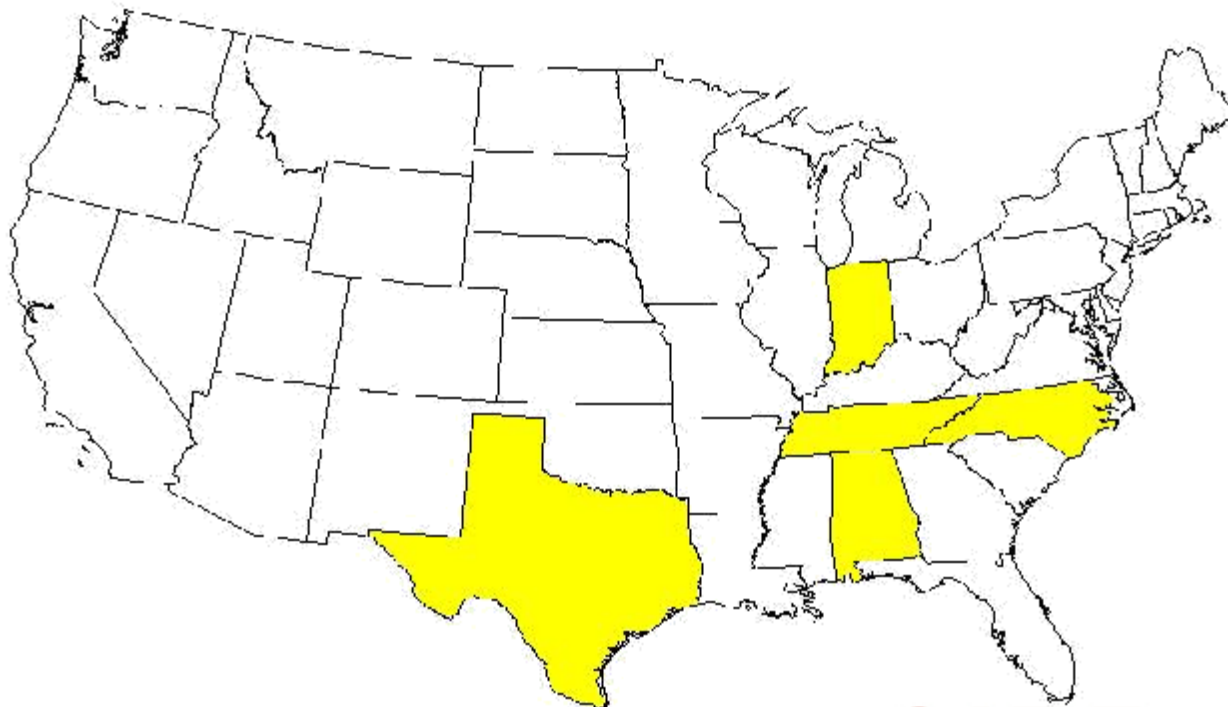
Indiana Gains National Attention **Good News for Hoosier Business**

Indiana is moving forward thanks to hard working Hoosiers all across the state. Indiana is receiving national recognition for our strong economy, built during the past few years. Hoosiers have a lot to be proud of, and together we can keep the momentum going. Continue to see who has taken notice of Indiana.





Magazine Names Indiana 'Most Improved', Fifth Best Business Climate in Nation



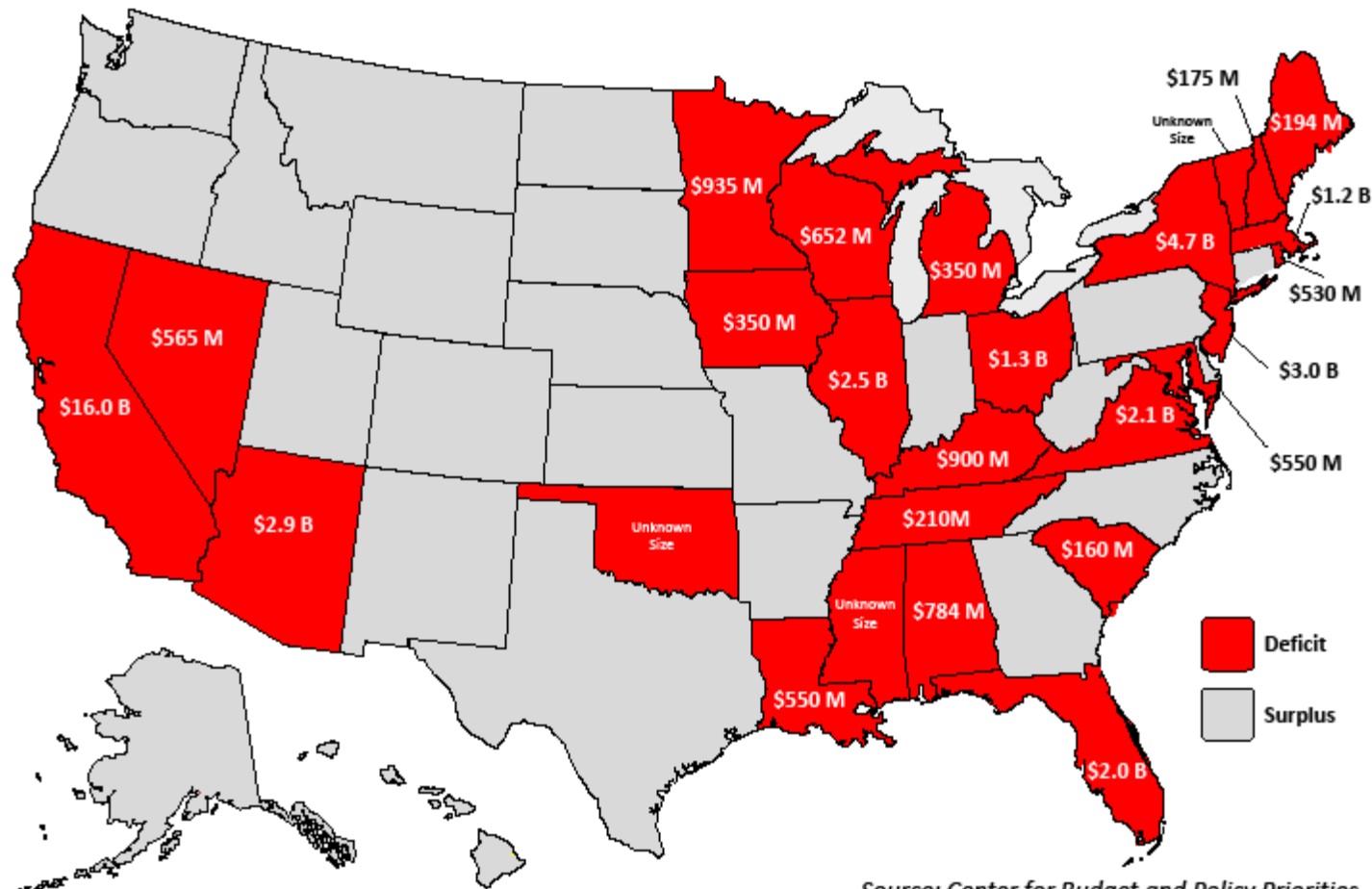
1st in the Midwest and 5th nationally

SITE Selection

Source: Site Selection Magazine, November 2008



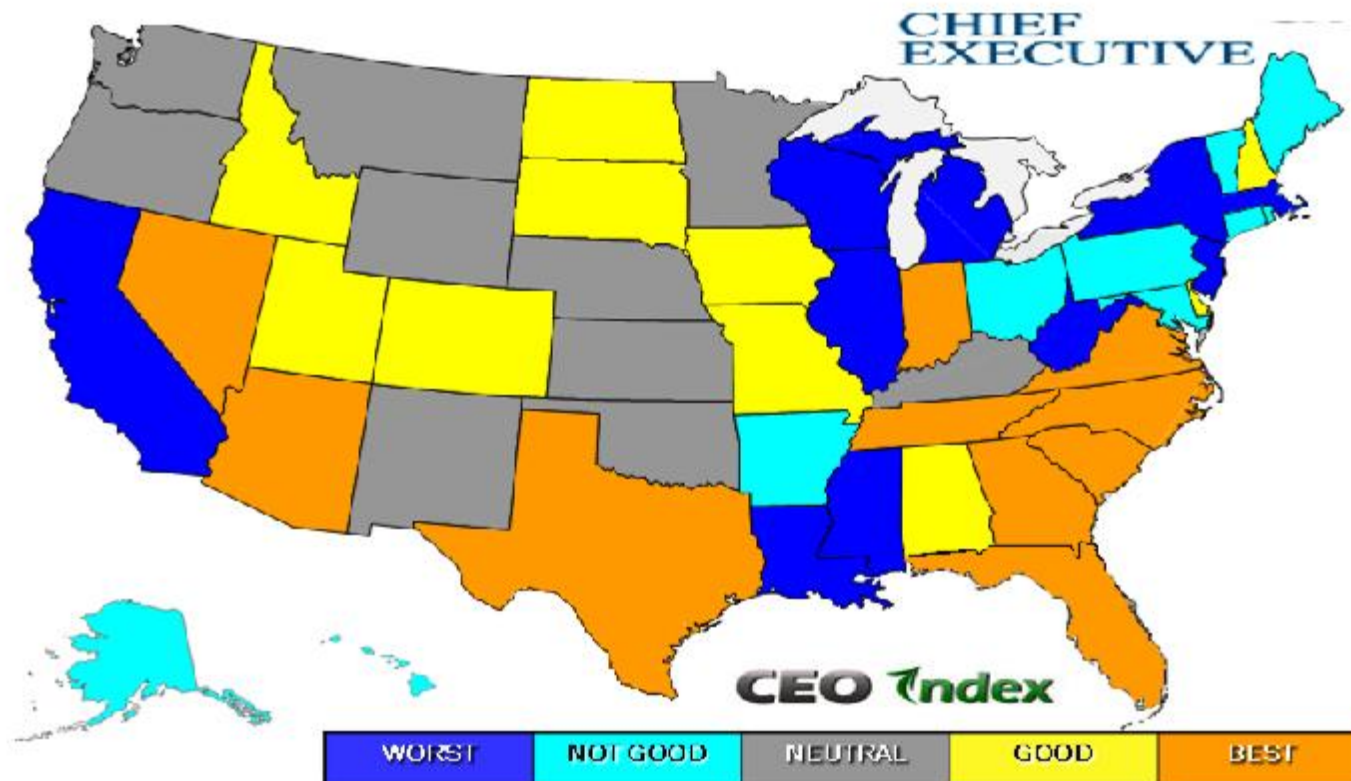
Projected FY 2008-2009 State Budget Shortfalls



Source: Center for Budget and Policy Priorities



Executives Rank Indiana Best in Midwest



1st in the Midwest and 8th nationally

- Best Places for Business Survey
- 605 top CEOs

Source: Chief Executive Magazine, Jan. 2008



Indiana Ranks Best in Midwest for Cost of Doing Business



1st in the Midwest & 6th nationally

Forbes
com

Source: Forbes Best States for Business Index 2008



'Diversifying Economy' Helps Earn Indiana Best Credit Rating in History



One of 10 States with AAA rating

- S&P cited state's diversifying economy, budgeting, property tax reform and low debt as rationale for upgrade

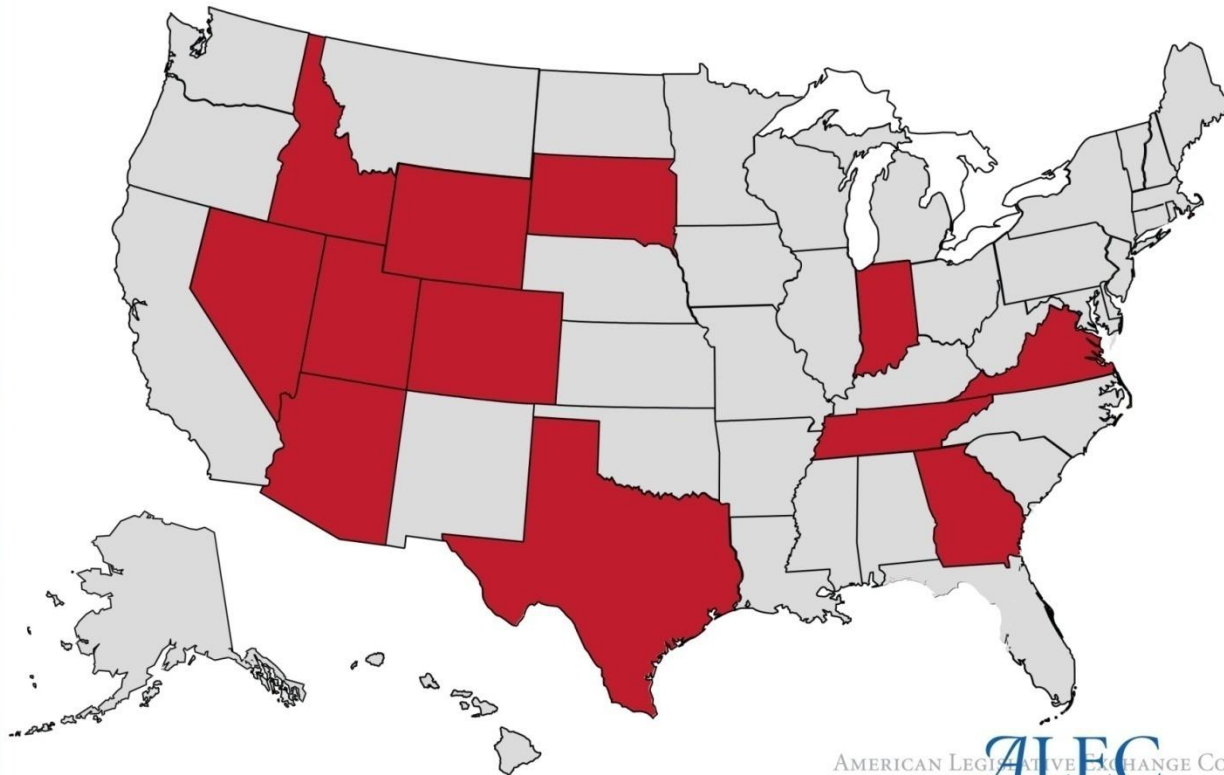
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Economic Competitiveness

✓ Indiana Leads the Midwest in Competitiveness (2007)

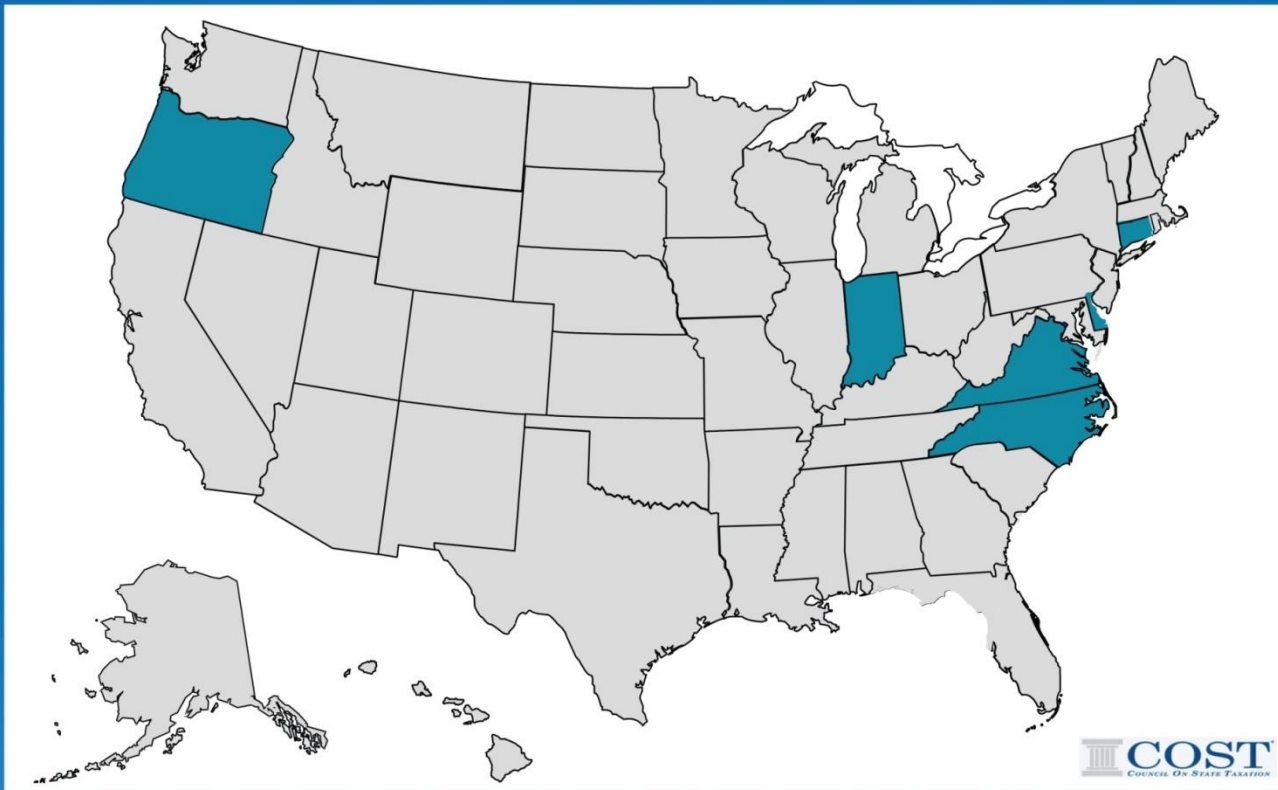
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Top Tax Climate

✓ Council on State Taxation FY2007 Business Tax Climate





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